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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6495**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 400

**NOTE PREPARED:** Dec 28, 2011

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Mandatory Sewer Connection.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Waterman

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that a not-for-profit sewer utility may not require a property owner to connect to its sewer system and discontinue use of a septic disposal system that is functioning satisfactorily as determined by a local health department.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2012.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** This bill could increase expenditures for local health departments. The bill provides that a property owner, at the property owner's own expense may obtain a certificate from the local health department certifying that a septic disposal system is functioning satisfactorily. The bill provides that a property owner can appeal to the board of the local health department if the certificate is denied.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Local health departments.

**Information Sources:**

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